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Re: New U.S. Patent Appln.
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: **ARTICLE SUPERIOR IN MAKING WATERDROPS SLIP DOWN SURFACE
THEREOF AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING SUCH ARTICLE**

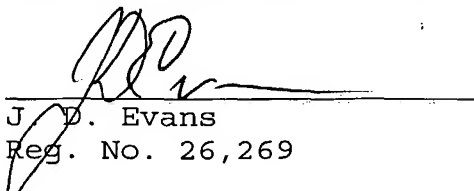
Enclosed are:

1. Application Data Sheet.
2. Specification, including 17 claims (39 pages). *partially in Japanese*
3. 1 Sheet of Formal Drawings showing Fig. 1.
4. Certified copy of Priority Documents
2002-220665 filed in Japan on July 30, 2002,
2003-040237 filed in Japan on February 18, 2003,
2003-040238 filed in Japan on February 18, 2003,
2003-113085 filed in Japan on April 17, 2003, and
2003-155171 filed in Japan on May 30, 2003
the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119
and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
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